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TEMPORARY WELL FACTSHEET

The RR Program has developed a new factsheet with questions and answers about the use of temporary monitoring wells at Remediation & Redevelopment sites. Publication # RR-647 is titled "A Fact Sheet of Frequently asked Questions about Temporary Monitoring Wells for Remediation and Redevelopment", and covers regulations and technical considerations for temporary wells under NR 141, WI Adm. Code. The guidance includes circumstances where temporary wells are appropriate and inappropriate, limitations of temporary wells, construction and abandonment information, and a discussion of groundwater data quality from temporary wells. Publication # RR-647 is on our web site in the Technical Information for Cleanups section (under the Publications button) at http://www.dnr.state.wi.us/org/aw/rr/index.htm

SEARCHING BRRTS ON THE WEB

Some consultants have asked for help accessing site data in BRRTS on the Web, the RR Program's on-line searchable database of contaminated sites. BRRTS on the Web uses a "begins with" type logic. If you want to see every site on Main Street in Green Bay, you have to enter a wild card (%) symbol in front of Main, like this: %Main. If you just type in "Main" in the address section, you will only get sites for which the address begins with the word Main. Our programmer has also upgraded BRRTS on the Web and solved problems that arose from a hardware migration. Now you can do a two-level download, using the download buttons at the bottom of the results screens. Instead of being able to retrieve only a list of sites, you can now retrieve sites plus actions, or sites plus contacts, etc. We are also developing frequently asked questions (FAQ) entries for the help module. The FAQs will address questions like performing wildcard searches. BRRTS on the Web is located on our main web page under the "Find Sites" button http://www.dnr.state.wi.us/org/aw/rr/index.htm

NEW REMEDIAL ACTION WASTEWATER DISCHARGE PERMIT

DNR's Watershed Management (WT) Program has reissued the General Permit for wastewater discharges from remediation projects, effective May 1, 2001. An informational document about the reissued general permit is available on the web at

http://www.dnr.state.wi.us/org/aw/rr/archives/pubs/RR030.pdf Changes to the permit are highlighted on the bottom half of the first page of this information. Regional WT staff will mail new permits to permit holders over the next several months. There were few significant changes and remediation projects can continue to discharge legally by meeting the limits of their old permit. The permit has been updated to comply with current ch. NR 140, Wis. Adm. Code standards for seepage discharges and the EPA ban on discharging bioaccumulating toxic compounds to surface waters. General questions about the permit may be directed to Jeff Brauer of the WT Program, 608-267-7643 or at brauej@dnr.state.wi.us Questions about specific site discharges should be directed to regional WT staff.

CORRECTED EMAIL ADDRESS

Our May 17 "RR News from DNR" contained a typographical error in the e-mail address for Mark Gordon. Mark is the contact person in the RR Program for general questions about cleanup at sites with hazardous

waste issues. Mark's correct email address is gordom@dnr.state.wi.us The new information about solid waste and hazardous waste issues at cleanup projects is on the web at http://www.dnr.state.wi.us/org/aw/rr/rbrownfields/bsg/index.htm

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